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Club

Online Top Up

The Club will be launching a new online top up facility shortly which will allow you to top up your member's cards via your PC, Tablet or Smart Phone. You will also be able to check your balance and eventually use such balances to pay for your events and membership subscriptions.

Over the new few days you should receive an email from no-reply@digiwedge.com inviting you to set up your password for your new online account. Please follow the email and contact me should you have any gueries.

Kirsty Timmis, General Manager - Operations

General Data Protection Regulation

With just over 6 weeks to go, the Club has been busy preparing for the new General Data Protection Regulation which comes into force on May 25th and as such you should have received correspondence from us seeking your "informed consent" to allow us to continue to hold and process your personal data. For this reason our Privacy Statement has been updated and included in this year's "List of Members & Yachts 2018" from page 135, To view an electronic copy, please click here. If you haven't already let the Club know your privacy preferences then you can submit these electronically via the link below:

Member's Privacy Preferences

or contact Georgia@rlymyc.org.uk who can send your preference form out.

We've recived 1,410 responses so far, so 39% of the Membership are yet to respond. It is IMPORTANT that we have a response from every Member!

Congratulations

RYA National Youth Championships - Club Successes

Sixteen junior members of the club made the trip to Scotland for the 2018 RYA Youth Nationals, held at Largs Sailing Club from April 2nd to 6th. This made Royal Lymington the most represented club at the event. The sailors were met with extreme conditions and the first 2 days of racing were lost to gale force winds and sub zero temperatures. Racing finally got underway on day 3, although the temperature was only 2 degrees, with wind chill taking the temperatures to minus 5. The Race Committee managed to run a good schedule of races on days 4 and 5 and prize giving saw a slew of medals for the club's sailors:

420s Girls:

1st Vita Heathcote and Milly Boyle



Laser Radial Boys: 3rd Arthur Fry



Laser Radial Girls:

4th overall, 1st U19: Matilda Nicholls



Nacra 15 Open:

1st William Smith (non-member) and Abigail Clarke



Vita, Milly, Matilda and Abigail have been selected to represent Great Britain at the Youth Sailing World Championships in Austin, Texas in July. A great result for the club and for the drive to bring more women into the sport!

British Sailing Team selections will be announced this week and will be reported in the next edition.

All of the competitors who took to the water this week deserve a medal. RYA head of youth sailing, Mark Nicholls, commented that it was one if the most challenging Youth Nationals ever held.

Fiona Fry, Captain of Laser Radials.

RORC Easter Challenge

HELLO!

New Members!

Congratulations to Jaywalker for taking 3rd place overall in IRC 3 at a cold, wet adn (for the last day windless) weekend.

Membership

We extend a warm welcome to the following

New Members of the Club elected on 16th March 2018

- Sarah & Adam Gosling
- Carol Green
- Jeremy Boadle
- Frank & Elizabeth Chalstrey
- Susan Chipchase
- Allan & Camilla Christensen
- Freya Cumpsty
- Oliver Phillips
- Dylan Phillips

I do hope that you will enjoy your membership of the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, and that you will become active Members both afloat and ashore at the many <u>Club</u> sailing and social events.

Robin Taunt, Vice - Commodore



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Racing

Portmore Insurance Spring Series 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th April



The Notice of Race & Entry Form for the 2018 Portmore Insurance Spring Series is now available and details are online **Jim Saltonstall**, formerly RYA National Racing Coach joined our own **Barry Dunning** to offer a customised version of the programme they have been running for the RORC at Cowes over many years. Sunday's first day's racing was abandoned.

Monday Evening Dinghies

The briefing for Monday Evening Dinghies will be on Monday 16th April.

There will be an early briefing at 18:15 for Juniors who are new to Monday Evening racing and will be in the Slow Handicap fleet. The main briefing for all fleets is at 18:30.

The Notice of Race and entry form are on the website. You can now enter online, specify your volunteering preferences i.e. what role you prefer (race management or safety boat) and dates you are available to join the race team. The first MED race will be the following Monday 23rd April.

House

Well the Club has been busy in spite of the weather. The Fitting Out Party was a great success with a lovely meal and lots of Members dancing. We also managed to combine a Topper training event, an Optimist Spring Championship with over 200 boats, the Six Nations Rugby and Mother's Day lunch with lots of smiles all on one weekend. This is on top of all the usual classes and events.

Congratulations to Gillian, James and their teams for a job well done.

February turnover was up over 8% on last year, and costs were well contained, but with an exceptional cost of £800 we ended up with a £141 loss over the month. Irritating!

On 7th April we have the wine tasting to choose the new Royal Wine List with Solent Cellar and Priory Wines competing for Members' business.

We have two book clubs running and both are full. However we have a number of Members who would like to join, so we are looking for someone to co-ordinate another book club. If you might be interested, please contact Pauline Crates to see what is involved.

We have expanded the team in the kitchens with another James, and we are buying them the equipment to make our own cakes, scones and puddings which will dramatically increase the quality of what we have to offer.

From 1st April the First Floor will be open from 9:30 am till after dinner every day except Sunday evening, serving coffee, tea, cakes, flapjacks, etc. and the Bar will be open all day. The kitchens will also be available from 10:30 am so if you fancy a bacon butty or speciality coffee and a home-made cake, please give us a try – it is the best view in Lymington.

The sailing season is now underway, with the Spring Series, Monday Evening Dinghies and Thursday Night Racing all starting this month. We will be running the catering and bar as we did last year, with street food, buffets and a separate bottle bar in the Island Room on Thursdays. Remember no top-ups at the Bar from 7:30 to 9:00pm Thursdays!

We look forward to welcoming you to your Club!

Roger Wilson, Rear Commodore House

Social

Informal Ladies Lunch - Friday 20th April at 12:00

The next Informal Ladies Lunch will be on Friday 20th April from 12:00. This time the RLymYC Social Committee Chair Pauline Crates will be speaking on the topic of Aromatherapy & the use of essential oils. Please click the image to see the menu and more details about Pauline's talk. To sign up please see the Socials Board or call the Office on 01590 672677 and ensure to pass on your meal choices.

Movie Nights: Tuesday 27th April - Victoria & Abdul (2017)



The last movie of the season is on Tuesday 27th April at the usual time of 18:30 - please do book for buffet supper too directly afterwards!

Victoria & Abdul is a 2017 is based on the book of same name by Shrabani Basu, about the real-life relationship between Queen Victoria of the United Kingdom and her Indian Muslim servant Abdul Karim.

Click on the image above to register your attendance!

Coffee morning - Thursday 12th April 10am



The next all member's coffee morning will be next Thursday 12th April. As usual there will be a representative from the Club's Social Committee there to welcome new members. Please sign-up on the Social's Board.

Kids High Tea

Kids High Teas are continuing monthly on a Friday - the next one is this Friday at 5pm so please do call the restaurant on 01590 671751 to book!

Easter Egg at the RLymYC

Cruising

MAY 2019 - CANAL DU MIDI



The Cruising section is contemplating a charter cruise in May 2019 to the Canal du Midi. The cruise itself would be one way starting at Le Boat's base in Narbonne, then travelling up the Canal de la Nouvelle and Canal du Midi towards the end point at Trebes, which is just east of Carcasonne.

Travel arrangements would be up to individual members, but as a guide there is a daily service with Easyjet from Gatwick to Toulouse. An easy tram connection takes you from the airport to the train station in the city and the line runs south towards the coast stopping at Carcassone and Narbonne en route.

Individuals would have to make their own charter arrangements with Le Boat, but we have

the benefit of a group discount which would be between 10% and 25%, dependent upon the number of boats in the group.

At this stage I am trying to establish the level of interest, so there is no commitment. The aim would be to finalise the booking with Le Boat by the end April of this year as this is a popular time of year for chartering.

If you wish to learn more please complete the sign-up sheet in the Club, or email me directly.

Tony Hughes, Cruising Sub-Committee

2018 Summer Cruise

Channel Crossing to Cherbourg 1st June - update

The current plan is to sail across the Channel on the 1st June assuming the weather is suitable and stay at Port Chantereyne Marina. If you sign up in advance, you will enjoy a 20% reduction on the normal berthing rates.

The event is planned so we stay two nights at Cherbourg and, for those just making it a long weekend, to sail back on the Sunday 3rd June. Dinners will be arranged on the Friday and Saturday nights at local restaurants. Others may want to use the cruise across the Channel as the start of their Summer Cruise. For the more intrepid, the plan is to head down to Vannes where there is a Moody Owners Rally on the 12/13/14 July as well as the usual Bastille Day celebrations

A sign up sheet will be posted on the board at the Club in a couple of weeks. If you have any comments or preferences please let me know by email.

Bill Parsons, Cruising Sub-Committee

Charts

Planning a cruise to somewhere new this year? The RNLI stand at the Beaulieu Boat Jumble on Sunday 22nd April will have an extensive stock of paper Admiralty charts for planning purposes, together with volunteers with first-hand knowledge of cruising grounds near and far. Please put the date in your diary and help us to support this worthy cause.

Richard Lassen

Wednesday Lecture Nights

The series of 15 Wednesday lectures has now finished. I would particularly like to thank members Harvie Woolley, Cam Otten, David Gredley, John Stork, Peter Bell and Chris Knox who all gave inspirational talks on a variety of subjects.

The 2018-19 lectures are being planned by George Trevelyan. Please contact him if you would like to give a talk or know someone who would.

Sue Sutherland, Captain of Cruising.



Following last Autumn's successful cruise in the Solent, when we hosted members of the Sailing Club of Chesapeake, we have received an invitation for our members to make a return visit to sail in Chesapeake Bay. The dates are. Friday 13th to Monday 23rd September 2019

The Chesapeake members plan to host us on their boats. Last year's participants will have priority. If there are more of us than they can accommodate, Members can charter their own boats out of Annapolis to join the cruise.

Outline of their plans:

- Dinner in the Annapolis Yacht Club on the 13th September
- A Hog roast on the Wye River at a member's home
- A Cocktail party on the Corsica River
- An overnight in Rock Hall
- Two days in Baltimore
- A sail to Gibson Island to participate in team racing against the Gibson Island Yacht Club "Race for the Broom" event.
- Optional day trip to Washington DC on Monday 23rd

We invite you to contact us by email as soon as possible if you are interested. We will be arranging a meeting for all interested in the early Autumn.

Sue & Andrew Sutherland

Past Events

Day Cruise - East Cowes Tuesday 20th March

The "mini beast from the east" took its toll on those who had planned to attend this event. However, three motor boats and two sailing vessels with their crew of 28 braced the chilly conditions in the early morning. Bonni Lady was seen on the Club pontoon with the skipper bravely brushing off a few inches of snow from the deck before departure. A cool passage, with winds of F4/5 up to East Cowes was followed by the convivial and warm conditions of the Lifeboat Inn.

The return was more pleasant with a flatter sea, some bright blue sky and a lesser breeze.

Tony Hughes, Cruising Sub-Committee

Fleets



LR Scows - Small Boats, Large Fleets, Maximum Fun What Happened in March?

March saw five great walks. The Forest was wet.

- 8th March Two Sea Wall walks (Strollers and Striders)
- 15th March Rhinefield
- 22nd March Burley
- 29th March Setley

There were three social events in March

On 5th March George Trevelyan gave a fascinating account of 'Sailing Galicia in 2017'.

On 8th March Chris Knox led a day out in London including a visit to the V&A and lunch at the Royal Thames Yacht Club.

On 19th March Rory Paton prepared us for the sailing season. His talk was enthusiastically received despite the snow on the ground outside.

What is Planned for April?

Spring Back to Scowing

Season-launching supper on Tuesday 10th April, 19:00 for 19:30. Book and make your menu choices at Reception.

Walks

12th April Two Sea Wall walks (Strollers and Striders)

Scow Potters

Potters, led by Graham Neal, will start on 19th April and take place every Thursday. Briefing at 10:15, launch at 10:30.

Buoyancy Testing

LRSCA measurers, Dan and Meriel McCarthy, will be in the RLymYC Dinghy Park on 7th April from 10:00.

Race Coaching

Led by Catherine Maguire and Sarah Richards on 17th and 24th April and 8th May. Boats to be rigged and ready to launch before a 17:30 briefing.

Racing

Monday Evening Dinghies starts with a briefing on 16th April at 18:30 and a first race on 23rd April.

David Weller, Captain of Scow Fleet

Juniors Junior Regatta

This year the Junior Regatta will help to highlight the growing issue of ocean pollution and the unnecessary overuse of plastic. Protection of the ocean and environment for the next generation has become a headline priority and our young sailors will be the ones to make a difference and benefit from Turning The Tide on Plastic becoming a reality in their lifetime. *More young people watched the first episode of Sir David Attenborough's Blue Planet II than any single episode of Love Island – it attracted 2.4 million people aged 16-34 years old.*

In the UK we use over 35 million plastic bottles every year. At the Junior Regatta more than 500 bottles of water are purchased for volunteers going afloat. This year all volunteers will be asked to bring their own water bottle and fill up each day from the water fountains on the Club forecourt.

Hot drinks from the regatta coffee stall will be served in reusable cups in a bid not to contribute to the 2.5 billion coffee cups thrown away every year in the UK, - less than one in 400 are recycled. Disposable plastic cutlery used at various regatta social evenings will be replaced with a recyclable alternative or fingers! Volunteers will be offered pre-loved plastic bags to put their lunch in and plastic straws are banned. Small steps but a good start.

During the regatta there will be information on how and why young people need to protect their environment Research by round world sailor Ellen McArthur Foundation suggests that by the year 2050, the ocean will contain more plastic by weight than fish.

In this year's Volvo Ocean Race, skipper of Turn the Tide on Plastic, Dee Caffari MBE, is driving a campaign to educate and increase awareness of the growing issue of ocean pollution. The boat has on-board data gathering equipment to measure water quality and composition, as well as micro-plastics in some of the world's remotest oceans. She is delighted and applauds the next generation of sailors at the Club who are inspired to change the world for the better and help protect our oceans.

Shireen Crowe

Wednesday Junior Sailing

Wednesday Sailing are busy preparing for the new season. Will you be able to help this year?

Whether you're an active sailor, keen oarsman, or a willing to learn we would love your help. Full training and a buddy system is implemented for all new helpers.

If you think you could share some of your expertise with the next "sailing" generation then come along to the Safety Briefing.

WJS Dates for your diary

We also have some **Training session** for all helpers / Instructors.

18th April - 10:00 - Rigging Double handers. 14:00 - 16:00 Practice your skills

Wednesday sailing begins - 25th April

Ali Husband - Head of Wednesday Junior Sailing

Laser Radial & Standard

We continue to have a great turnout for our monthly training, with the sailors showing real dedication of the past few months of very challenging weather.

This week 17 Laser Radial and Laser Standard sailors from the Club are in Largs, Scotland for the RYA Youth Nationals. This makes us the most represented club at the event! Sadly we had two days abandoned, due to 30+ Kts winds and sub-zero temperatures.

Up for grabs at the event are places in the British Sailing Team for the summer events, including the Youth Laser Radial Worlds in Kiel, Germany and the U21 Laser Standard Worlds and U21 Laser Radial Worlds which will both take place in Gdynia, Poland.

This is also the event where the RYA select the individual sailors to represent Great Britain at the Youth Sailing World Championships, which will take place in Texas, USA in July. One Radial Boy and one Radial girl will be selected for this event on Friday, along with the five boys and five girls who will be in the British Sailing Team. Good luck to all sailors - here's hoping we get some fair racing before the week is out.

Laser 4.7

Winter training has been going well for our growing Laser 4.7 fleet, and we thank our coaches (Greg Carey and Robbie Claridge) for all their time and commitment to our sailors.

Early in March we were all meant to be heading to Weymouth for a Ladder event, but this was the weekend of snow!, and sensibly the event was cancelled before anyone made the trip there.

Easter was a busy couple of weeks for the all the Laser fleets, the Radials and Standards were competing in the RYA Youth Nationals in Largs (see above) whereas the 4.7s had the slightly more appealing venue of Patras, Greece for the 4.7 Europeans. A large number of our sailors travelled to Greece and we wish them well.

Training continues in April and May, and Tuesday night 4.7 training starting again soon.

Clare de la Feuillade, Captain of Lasers

Volunteers & Race Management Training

Race Team

Now that the clocks have changed and Easter is behind us, the Club's Racing Program starts in earnest with The Spring Series on the four Sundays in April and the first Monday Evening Dinghies, Thursday Night Keelboats and XOD and Folkboat racing all starting towards the end of the month. If you have already expressed an interest in helping with any of these events you should have been contacted by the Event Coordinators. If you would like to help but have not yet filled in your availability on the on-line form it is not too late.

The Junior Sailors are having their own Racing Programme starting with the Spring Series on the 27th April and then every Friday evening until the 6th of June. Event Coordinator Steve Green would be very pleased to have support from both experienced race team members and those who are wanting to gain experience both helping with the Race Management and on the water in support boats. If you are able to help please contact Vicky in the Office or Steve Green.

Jane Corden

VHF Radio Training

A huge thank you to Malcom McKeag and John Whyte for sharing of their time and expertise to give us enjoyable training over the winter.

There is one more training session to go then it will be time to put it all into practice on the water by volunteering.

Use of Club VHF Radios

Saturday 21 April Island Room 1030 hours

Sign up sheets are on the Club Notice Board.

Frances Evans

TRAINING

Places still available!

Youth RYA Stage 1 Course 31st May & 1st June

Youth RYA Stage 2 Course 2nd & 3rd June Places still available!

£110 Members £150 Non Members

Vicky Leen, Sailing Manager

Activities

Wheelies - Next Meets



Wheelies have continued to meet weekly through the New Year, and have enjoyed rides organised by Michael Coombes, Tim Harford, Andrew Sutherland, Peter Bell (on his own!) George T and William Newton. We have met at Ashlett Creek, the White Buck at Burley, Hawkhill, Yarmouth Ferry Terminal and of course the Clubhouse. We have room for more riders, so please contact William, Michael or George if you are interested.



Pilates Classes

Jenny is back after the school holidays with her usual ever-popular Pilates classes on a Tuesday & Thursday morning. The next four blocks are both 6 weeks long as usual and will be as follows:

Tuesdays 10:30am starting on 17th April – 22nd May (6 weeks)

5th June – 10th July (6 weeks)

Thursdays 07:15am starting on 19th April – 24th May (6 weeks)

7th June – 12th July (6 weeks)

RNLI



Beaulieu Boat Jumble Sunday 22nd April 10.00 am - 5.00 pm - Still collecting, last date 13th April

Still time to clear out the cupboards before the sailing season starts. Chandlery and sails welcome. Either take to the boatmen at the Club or contact: John Niven 01590 678839 or Celia Lassen 01590 672881.

Sunday 13th May - The 17th Annual Lymington Lifeboat 10K and Children's Fun Run.



For 2018 the event will again include last year's popular under 5 years run thus enabling all the family to participate. The 10K is open for entrants from 15 upwards and the Children's Run age groups are 0 - 5 years, 5 - 8 years, 9 - 11 years and 12 - 15 years, allowing 15 year olds to either compete at 2K for the Inter-school team shield or at 10K.

Enter

now at: www.lymingtonlifeboat.co.uk or www.frsystems.co.uk/lymington10k for all events that will take place on **Sunday 13 May 2018** at the **Woodside Park** venue

commencing at 10:00 am.

If you are not a runner then please still put Sunday 13th May 2018 in your diary to come and support the participants either in the park or on the route. Anyone who would like to help with the event on the day should contact Richard Clarke by email.

Club Sponsors & Discounts

Click on the link for details of our sponsors and discounts available.

For Sale

Anchor Rope with Chain

40m of 3 ply nylon 12 mm rope spliced to 10 m of 6 mm chain. Unused. New Price over £100, offers around £50. Contact Geoff Holmes on 01590 670148 or email.

Two Club Ensigns

One new and used - length of fly - one yard. - price new £63.60, yours for £40. One slightly used but in good condition - price new £87.60, yours for £30. Contact David Brunskill

Attention Wheelies!

"Hollywood" tow ball hitch mounted 3 bike carrier for sale. Phone Clive Sparrow 01590 675966.

YAHAHA 2hp Outboard.

Can be seen running. £195. Ivor Johnston 01590 673740



Email me the details and any photos and the ad will be in one month's ePotterNews. If you don't want your contact details published, interested parties can be asked to contact you via the Club pigeon holes in Reception. Satisfied customers will be requested to make a small donation to Sailability or the RNLI. The listing of items for sale or wanted in ePotterNews does not indicate that RLymYC has knowledge of the authenticity of the advertisement and does not recommend or guarantee the items advertised and the Club cannot accept any liability in this regard.

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